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For: THERAPEUTIC AGENT AND THERAPEUTIC  
METHOD FOR PERIODONTAL DISEASES  
AND PULPAL DISEASES

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 17, 2008, finally rejecting claims 10-17 and 30, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.